STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2500

Honolulu, Hawaii

FEB 2 7 2014 RE: S.B. No. 2076

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred S.B. No. 2076 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNLICENSED CONTRACTOR FRAUD,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to clarify that the intent to deprive another of property, under the offense of unlicensed contractor fraud, may be formed before or after a person obtains or exerts control over the property of another.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure from the Regulated Industries Complaints Office of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Department of the Prosecuting Attorney of the City and County of Honolulu, and Contractors License Board.

Your Committee finds that under existing law, the offense of unlicensed contractor fraud requires a person's intent to deprive to exist while engaged in unlicensed contractor activities. However, the law is unclear whether that intent must also exist before that person obtains control over a victim's property. This measure removes this ambiguity by clarifying that the intent to deprive may be formed before or after a person obtains control over the victim's property, provided that the person is engaged in unlicensed contractor activities at that time. Your Committee further finds that this measure will assist law enforcement efforts to prosecute the offense of unlicensed contractor fraud.

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As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2076 and recommends that it pass Third Reading.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Judiciary and

Labor,

CLAYTON HEE, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Judiciary and Labor JDL

Bill / Resolution No.:* Committee Referral: Date:				
SB 2076 CPN, JDL 2/12/14				
The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure.				
If so, then the previous decision was to:				
The Recommendation is:				
Pass, unamended Pass, with amendments Hold Recommit 2312 2311 2310 2313				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)				
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (VC)				
GABBARD, Mike				7
GALUTERIA, Brickwood				
IHARA, Jr., Les	1			
SOLOMON, Malama	V			
SLOM, Sam				
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TOTAL	5			2
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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